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PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)                     REMARKS                                          This is UNEVALUATED

1. The following soldiers and materiel were loaded at the Dallgow-Doeberitz railroad station in the afternoon on 17 July 1954:

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9 x 37-mm AA guns, 30 to 35 trucks                     

                     2 ration supply trucks, 2 repair shop trucks, 2 field kitchens and 13 boxcarloads of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some women soldiers. About 5 of the trucks carried billeting equipment. The unit had come from Altes Lager (2061) in Doeberitz and left toward the west at 1700. Additional trucks with 37-mm AA guns went to the railroad station from Altes Lager after 1800 on 17 July. Loading and departure of the train could not be observed. 1

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2. At about 1800 on 12 July, 4 x 132-mm rocket launchers and 4 trucks

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                     were seen on a siding at the Templin railroad station. At about 0800 on 13 July, a column which was headed toward Templin was seen at the loading ramp. The column consisted of 12 trucks carrying pontoon sections, 4 to 5 trucks carrying heavy logs, 1 trailer with 1 motorboat and an undetermined number of personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets. 2 At about 0830 on 13 July, JS tank No 317 arrived at the loading ramp from the direction of Vogelsang. At about 1630, a train with 8 tanks was shunted on a siding. 2 At about 1600 on 14 July, a shipment of 8 AT guns, 20 trucks                      and 6 boxcars, each with about 25 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, was seen at the loading ramp. At about 1215 on 15 July, a shipment of 18 boxcars occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and about 14 trucks with covered numbers awaited unloading. On 6 July, a railroadman stated that, between 28 June and 6 July, 2 to 3 shipments had been dispatched from the Templin railroad station every night.

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3. Between 0600 and 0700 on 1 July, a train with 24 x 85-mm AT guns was seen at the Neustrelitz railroad station and subsequently left toward Neubrandenburg. 3 On 7 July, 10 to 122-mm field howitzers were detrained in Neustrelitz and subsequently left

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toward Alte Grenadier Kaserne (2225). Motor vehicle [REDACTED] was seen. On 10 July, an undetermined number of soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets with engineer insignia and red-bordered black epaulets, and billeting equipment were loaded on a train which consisted of boxcars exclusively. 4 A second shipment entrained on 10 July consisted of trucks including 1 crane truck and personnel wearing black-bordered black epaulets. 4 A third shipment, also entrained on 10 July, included 1 crane truck, trucks [REDACTED] with boats and 6 armored personnel carriers. 4

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Trucks [REDACTED] with personnel wearing black-bordered black and red-bordered black epaulets shuttled between the railroad station and Neue Infanterie Kaserne (2221). The shipments presumably left toward Neubrandenburg.

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4. At 0545 on 18 July, 3 JS-2 tanks, 7 T-34 tanks, 150 soldiers and truck [REDACTED] from the barracks installation northwest of Berliner Strasse (4741) were entrained in Prenzlau. 5

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] 2 trains [REDACTED] went from Dallgow-Doeberitz to Neu-Buckow on 17 July. [REDACTED] Weapons and motor vehicle numbers indicated that AAA units of the 1st Mech Div from Altes Lager (2061) in Doeberitz transferred to Wustrow for firing practices.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] a tank detail of the 82d Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 6th Gds Mech Div and an engineer unit of the Fourth Gds Mech Army were entrained. The tank detail returned from firing practices.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. The train carried an AT unit, presumably en route to Ruegen for AT firing practices.

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4. [REDACTED] Comment. Previous reports indicated that, on 10 July, elements of the 90th Gds Engr Bn of the 9th Gds Tank Div were entrained for the Elbe River, presumably the Jerichow area. [REDACTED]

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5. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] elements of the unidentified tank training battalion of the 25th Tank Div were probably entrained for the Templin troop training grounds.

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